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SUBJECT: ROCN 1977 MIDSHIPMEN'S TRAINING CRUISE

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JOINT STATE/DEFENSE MESSAGE

1. SOME ASPECTS OF THE CIVILIAN SCHEDULE THAT ROC CONSUL
GENERAL HAS LAID ON FOR ROCN MIDSHIPMEN'S TRAINING CRUISE
(REF (A)) INDICATE THAT ROC DOES INTEND TO EXPLOIT VISIT
FOR ITS OWN PUBLIC RELATIONS PURPOSES. AS NOTED REF (A),
U.S. INTEREST IS TO CONDUCT VISIT IN LOW KEY FASHION
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WITH MINIMUM APPROPRIATE CEREMONY AND PUBLICITY.
DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES EFFORTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE BY
COMMANDS IN HAWAII TO GIVE VISIT RELATIVELY LOW PROFILE
AND ASKS THAT EACH EVENT ON CRUISE'S SCHEDULE INVOLVING
U.S. MILITARY OFFICIALS OR FACILITIES BE HANDLED IN A
MANNER DESIGNED TO MINIMIZE PUBLICITY.

2. IN ORDER TO CONVEY OUR ATTITUDE TO ROC, DEPARTMENT OFFICER (EA/ROC) DISCUSSED CRUISE'S HAWAII SCHEDULE INFORMALLY WITH ROC EMBASSY POLITICAL COUNSELOR WANG JULY 5, NOTING THAT VISIT HAD BEEN REQUESTED BY ROC AND APPROVED BY DEPARTMENT AS A TRAINING CRUISE. WHILE

WE RECOGNIZE THAT A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF PROTOCOL WAS REQUIRED, DEPARTMENT OFFICER SAID THAT HEAVY PUBLIC RELATIONS EFFORT BY LOCAL ROC REPRESENTATIVES DID NOT SEEM APPROPRIATE FOR SUCH A TRAINING CRUISE. DEPARTMENT OFFICER DID NOT REQUEST OR SUGGEST ANY SPECIFIC ACTIONS, BUT ASKED THAT ROC CONGEN BE MADE AWARE OF DEPARTMENT'S VIEWS. WANG SAID HE UNDERSTOOD MESSAGE AND WOULD BE IN TOUCH WITH ROC CONGEN. VANCE

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